

DRAFT EIA/EMP REPORT

FOR DEVELOPMENT OF GREEN FIELD AIRPORT AT DAGADARTHI, DISTRICT-NELLORE, ANDHRA PRADESH



DEVELOPED BY:- **BHOGAPURAM INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CORPORATION LTD (BIACL)**

E. SUMMARY & CONCLUSION

E.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND

There are 6 existing airports in Andhra Pradesh located at Visakhapatnam, Trupati, Vijaywada, Rajahmundry and Kadapa, 5 of which are under operation of Airports Authority of India (AAI), and other at Puttaparthi being managed by Sri SatyaSai Trust. Government of Andhra Pradesh has planned to construct 5 new airports to be located at Bhogapuram, Oravakallu, Kuppam, Dagadarthi & Tedepaligudem. In addition to the above, the AAI has been requested to develop Donakonda and Nagarjuna Sagar airports also as part of the national level plans of developing regional no-frills/ low-cost airports. This EIA report is for Phase I development of a Greenfield airport at Dagadarthi which is also mentioned as Nellore Airport.

Nellore District has a coastal line of 169 Kms with a total of 46 mandals. There are 93 coastal fishermen habitations having 82,500 population out of which 16,300 are active fishermen. The estimated marine landings in the District, are 54,941 m. The district consists of Pulicat Lake which is the 2nd biggest Brackish Water Lake in the country with an area of 468 Sq.Kms. The lake accounts for annual production of 6,500 Mts. of Fishes providing livelihood to 11,000 Fishermen covering 20 Kuppams around the lake. **Bhogapuram International Airport Corporation Ltd. (say "BIACL")** has considered developing an airport at Dagadarthi village of Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh State.

During 2nd Meeting of the Expert Appraisal Committee (Infrastructure-2) held on 20th – 21st January, 2016 for preparing of EIA/EMP report, the project was considered and ToR was granted vide letter F.No.10-2/2016-IA.III dated 18.02.2016.

E.2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Bhogapuram International Airport Corporation Ltd. (BIACL or the Authority) is the nodal agency of the Energy, Infrastructure and Investment Department of Government of Andhra Pradesh engaged in facilitating the development of infrastructure projects in the State. The Govt. of Andhra Pradesh has shown keen interest in increasing private sector participation in the development of infrastructure facilities in the State. In the past decade, it has built a proven track record in Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) mode of development in Infrastructure projects in various sectors.

The proposed airport is located at a distance of approximately 27.0 km from Nellore in South-South-East Direction. The details of location of the proposed airport are given in **Table E.1**.

Table E-1: Details of Site Location

Description	Details
Project Site	Dagadarthi, Damavaram, KK Gunta and Velupodu villages in Dagadarthi Mandal
Location	Dagadarthi village, Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh

